Appointments in the Medical Department.

183. *MR. P. S. MUHAMED: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the appointments made during the last three years, of midwives, nurses and compounders in the Medical Department?

MR. C. P. GOPALA PANICKAR: A Statement* is laid on the table.

Mavelikara District Court.

184. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have entered into any agreement with any individual regarding the housing of the Mavelikara District Court; and

(*b*) the terms of the agreement, if any?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) and (*b*) Government have agreed to house the District Court, Mavelikara, in the new buildings constructed by Dr. Velu Pillai, Sankara Sadanom, Mavelikara for a period of three years on a rent of Rs. 65 per mensem. An additional rent of Rs. 20 per mensem will be paid when the building for housing the Second Judge's Court is completed and made ready for occupation.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether Government have any idea of constructing a permanent building for the District Court.

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: That is their object, but at present there is no proposal before Government.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether any steps have been taken for this purpose?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: No, Sir.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know why steps have not been taken?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Steps will be taken in due course.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know how long it will take to acquire a site for the building?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Proceedings for the acquisition of the necessary site are being taken. After that estimates have to be prepared and funds provided. The honourable member will observe that the present agreement is for a period of three years from 1941.

MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Is it not the general policy of Government not to rent private buildings?

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: When no Government building is available, necessarily Government have to rent private buildings.

Mavelikara Sessions Court.

185. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state the number of sessions cases tried in the Mavelikara Sessions Court during the year 1116 and till the end of Makaram 1117?

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MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI:

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Fresh-water.

186. *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a fresh water well near the Muttam light house;

(*b*) whether the spring is perennial; and

(*c*) whether it is possible to supply drinking water to the village of Muttam from this source?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes; but not accessible to the public.

(*b*) and (*c*) This information can be furnished only after test pumping and ascertaining yield and time required for recuperation of the water pumped.

Procedure re; trial of cases in Civil courts.

187. *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received any representation regarding the serious hardships and inconveniences caused to the litigant public by the present arrangement of day to day trial of cases in civil courts?

MR. PUTHUPALLI S. KRISHNA PILLAI: No representation has been received by the Government.

Amaravathi Branch Channel.

188. *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a branch channel known as Amaravathi branch from the Thiruvithamcode channel was proposed by the original designers of the Kodayar Project; and

(*b*) whether Government have been receiving petitions from the ryots for constructing this branch channel?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

Assistant Peishkars in Travancore.

189. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the Assistant Peishkars in Travancore?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A *statement is laid on the table.

Recruitment of Proverthicars.

190. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased:

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